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1. The 27 Army of the 3 Field Army is not large enough to garrison Kwangtung effectively, in which duty it replaced the 4 Field Army, and guerrilla activity in the area is widespread. To remedy this, YEH Chien-ying, governor of Kwangtung, is attempting to expand local security forces. Permission has been obtained from the Central and South China Military and Political Commission for the expansion, and preparation is being made to organize ten divisions of local forces.
2. The Kwangtung-Kwangsi Column under the command of TSENG Sheng, which is stationed in the Pearl River Delta and East River areas, has been reorganized into three auxiliary divisions, designated the 5, 6 and 7. The Central Kwangtung Column, commanded by WU Yu-heng (吳有恆) and stationed in the T'ai-shan (112-45, 22-15) - Yangchiang (111-53, 21-52) - Yangch'un (111-42, 22-08) - Kaoming (112-43, 22-53) area, has been reorganized into the 8 and 9 auxiliary divisions. Both columns have received orders to recruit men in their localities for the new units.

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